



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Date: January 21, 2004

Hideo Kobayashi et al.

Serial No. : 10/622,357 Our Docket No. : SHX 340

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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CURING ADHESIVE
BETWEEN SUBSTRATES, AND DISK SUBSTRATES BONDING
APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, applicants request that the following amendments be entered in the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 3.